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Appleby is historically significant as the home of Governor Thomas Holliday Hicks, governor of Maryland during the Civil War. The tract of land originally consisted of 300 acres, which Henry Ennalls purchased from the Abaco Indians. The oldest portion of the house is believed to have been built by Ennalls around 1730-35, although it appears to have been extensively altered and added on to in the late 19th century. The house today is a large rambling, assymetrical frame structure of two and one-half stories with a three story tower on the southeast corner and another tower on the southwest corner. Across the west and south facades of the house is a two story porch, supported by fluted Doric columns.

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This is a very large, rambling, assymetrical frame house of two and one half stories. The oldest portion, to the west, is said to have been built around 1730-35. although the house appears to have been extensively renovated and added on to in the late nineteenth century. The front of the house consists of four bays plus a three story polygonal tower on the southeast corner. This tower is ornamented by a cornice with dentils and scallops between each story. Below the first story windows of this tower is a paneled section and covering part of the second and third story are imbricated shingles. On the southwest corner, above the hip roof, is a rectangular third story tower. This tower has rectangular windows on each side and paneling above. Across the west side of the house and part of the front is a two story porch supported by fluted Doric columns. The porch has a ballustrade with rectangular ballusters and the cornices of the porch are ornamented by large In front of the double door which is flanked by sidelights and has a transom light above, is a triangular pediment. There is a hip roofed dormer on the front with three small square windows. These windows have a single light in the center surrounded by a border of small panes, like the windows in the third story of the southeast tower.

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This tract of land originally consisted of 300 acres which Henry Ennalls purchased from Betty Caco. Ruler and Queen of the Abaco Indians and Pemetask, Ruler and Queen of the Hatswamp Indians for 22 pounds of tobacco on January 18, 1726. The Ennalls were a prominent Dorchester family who were active in local government and were large landowners. In 1799, this tract of land was purchased from Ennalls by Robert Harrison, who was sheriff of Dorchester County from 1767 to 1769. John Lockerman was the next owner, and in 1811, Joseph Ennalls Muse purchased the property from Lockerman. On August 3, 1858, Appleby was purchased by Thomas Holliday Hicks, the Civil War governor of Maryland. Governor Hicks was born near East New Market, in 1798, where his father was a large planter and slave owner. The older part of the dwelling is to the west. There is no data as to the age and builder of the mansion, but it is thought that the older portion was erected by Henry Ennalls, 1730-35.

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Appleby Cambridge, Maryland

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This large house is one of the most significant structures in Cambridge because of its historic connection with prominent figures in Dorchester County and the State of Maryland. Appleby was the home of Maryland's Civil War governor, Thomas Holliday Hicks. In the early nineteenth century Appleby also belonged to Dr. Joseph E. Muse, a prominent agricultural reformer. The house itself has been remodeled in the Queen Anne style of the late nineteenth century, but the west portion is much older, dating from the late eighteenthe century or early nineteenth century.

In 1726, Joseph Ennalls purchased three hundred acres of land from Betty Caco, ruler of the Abaco Indians. The land, known as Ennall's Outrange, remained in the family for several generations until Colonel Robert Harrison purchased 142 acres between 1786 and 1793. Har Harrison built a house on what had been farm land. This structure, possibly part of the present house, was mentioned in the 1793 deed. Following his death Harrison's land was sold in 1803 to Jacob Lockerman of Talbot County.

In 1808, Dr. Joseph E. Muse bought seventy acres of land, including a house, from Lockerman for \$5,000.00. Muse added to the property between 1811 and 1817 with seventy-seven additional acres from Lockerman. Muse may have built the original part of this house or added to the one that Harrison had constructed.

Dr. Joseph Ennalls Muse (1776-1852) was the leading proponent of improved agricultural methods and scientific farming in Dorchester County in the first half of the nineteenth century. He was one of the founders of the Dorchester County Agricultural Society in 1824 and performed numerous experiments with new crops.

Appleby Cambridge, Maryland (continued)

Many of these experiments were done at Appleby Farm. Muse's efforts halped reverse the disasterous decline of Maryland farming in the early nineteenth century. He believed that it was necessary to move away from the growing of only corn and wheat toward a more diversified agriculture. Muse raised cotton, hemp, sugar beets, rice and Spanish tobacco for "segars" in his search for better crops. He also attempted to improve fertilizers and livestock breeding. These efforts encountered initial resistance from the more conservative farmers, but his work, along with that of other reformers, eventuallyled to a rejuvenation of farming on the Eastern Shore. This development prepared Dorchester County for the expansion of truck farming following the Civil War.

Following Muse's death the farm was sold to Thomas Holliday
Hicks (1798-1865), who owned it from 1858 to 1864. Hicks was born near
East New Market and served as Registrar of Wills for Dorchester County
from 1838 to 1857, when he won election as governor on the American
or Know-Nothing Party ticket. Although a slaveholder,
Hicks opposed secession by the state in 1861. His term expired in 1862
and he was appointed to the U. S. Senate where he served until his
death in 1865. Hicks is buried at Cambridge Cemetery in Cambridge where
a monument marks the site.

In 1867 the house and land was sold to John Brown of Valparaiso, Chile, the father-in-law of William H. Barton, Jr. (see 615 Locust Street). On Brown's death the house passed to Barton's children where it remained until 1903. Among the later owners were W. Lake Robinson, clerk of the court and realtor, and Judge T. Sangston Insley. The present owner bought the house in 1966.

This is one of the most historically significant houses in presentday Cambridge because of its association with Governor Hicks and Dr. Appleby Cambridge, Maryland(continued)

Muse. It is impossible to determine the exact age of the house from the written record, although it is clear that it can be no older that 1786 when Harrison purchased the first portion of land from the Ennalls family. The ennalls did build a house but it was on another tract of land, not the one sold to Harrison. The latest date that the house was built was probably 1808, when Muse purchased it from Lockerman. The house was remodeled during the later nineteenth century in the Queen Anne style. At present it has been divided into apartments.

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Governor Hicks added a section on the east about one eighth the size of the original house plus an extension on the north of the addition. The roof changed to a hip, using the lines of the original "A" roof as a guide. The facade is covered with beaded shiplap, part of which may be earlier than mid 19th. century. On the first floor, the windows were lengthened, pilisters attached to the two corners of the facade and the door changed to include sidelights and transom. There was also some type of porch, but its extent has not

yet been determined.

Finally, around the 1890's, the owner farther remodeled the dwelling, placing an octagonal tower onto the southeast corner and a square, taller tower on the southwest corner. Dormer windows were cut into the center of the roof. The west and south facades, to the center door, received double porches, the upper porch slightly narrower than below. It was probably at this time that the stair was changed and new semicircular headed windows added on the north.

The large hall with antler stair, similar in design to the Chase-Lloyd House in Annapolis, comprises the original stair hall and room behind. To the west are the two original parlors, remodeled in the Greek Revival period. Normally for that period, a huge double door would be found between the two, but here, the entire wall was removed and oddly proportioned octagonal columns, more Egyptian than Greek, were placed, creating a huge space. With the exception of

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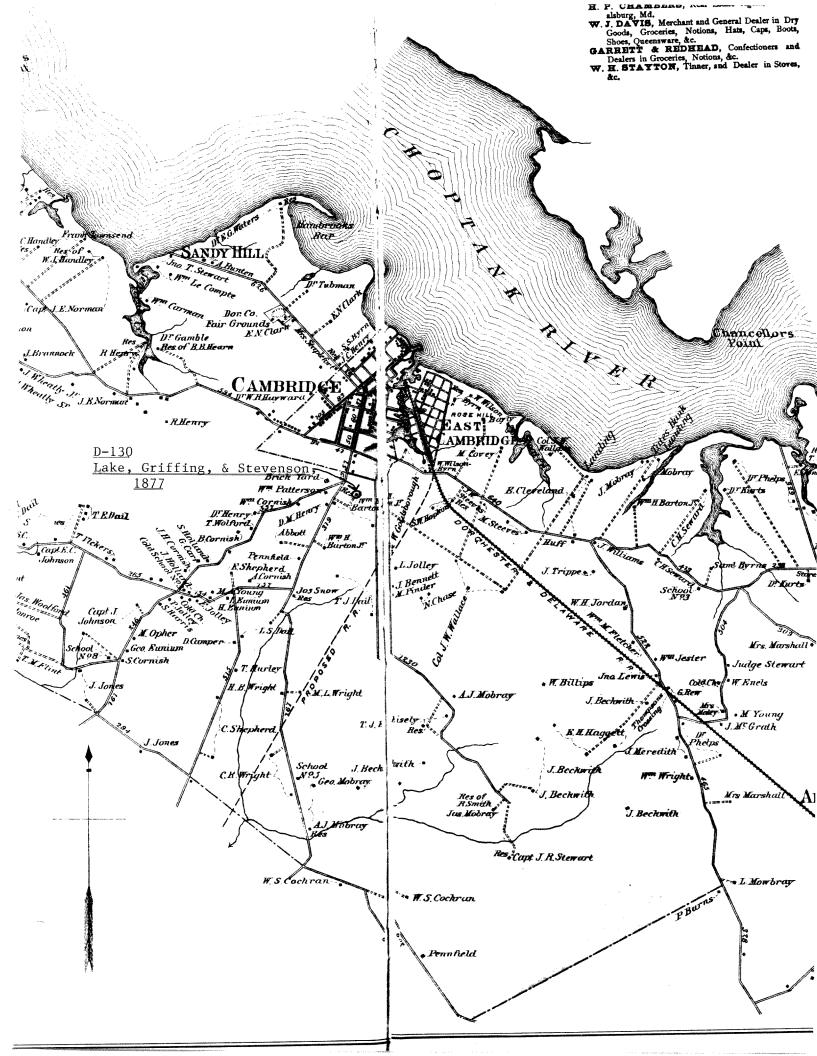
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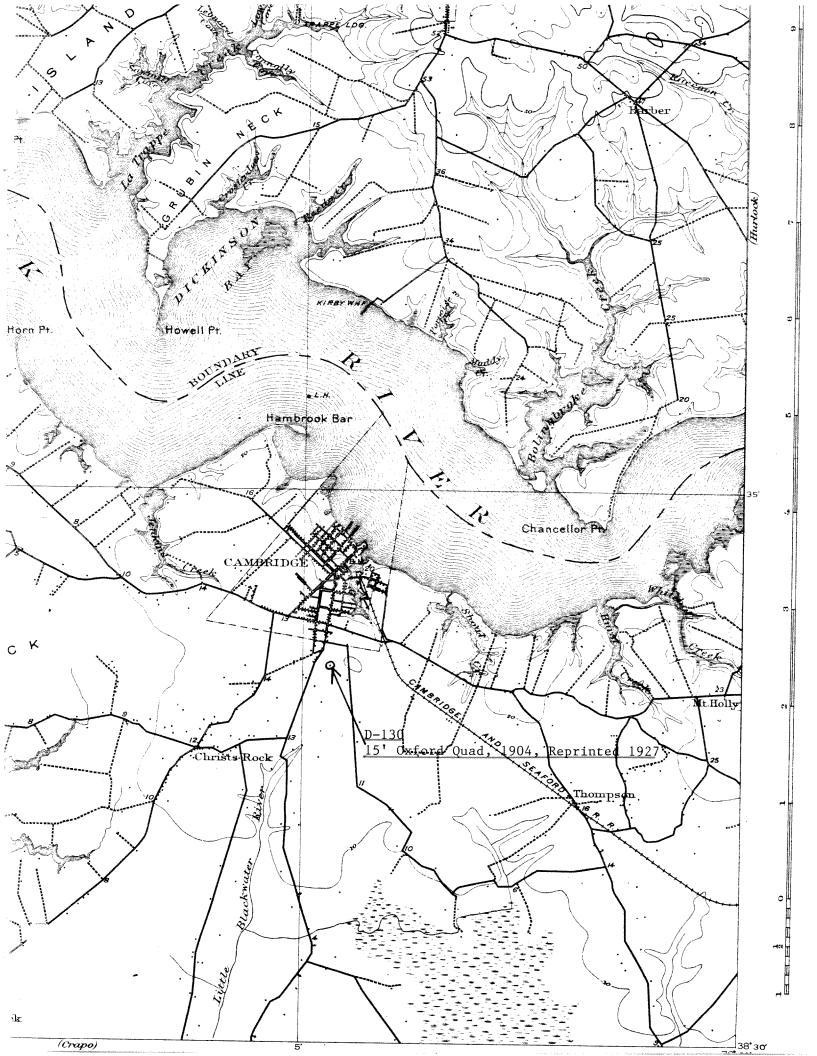
The large hall with antler stair, similar in design to the Chase-Lloyd House in Annapolis, comprises the original stair hall and room behind. To the west are the two original parlors, remodeled in the Greek Revival period. Normally for that period, a huge double door would be found between the two, but here, the entire wall was removed and oddly proportioned octagonal columns, more Egyptian than Greek, was placed, creating a huge space. With the exception of modern sheet paneling, and a partition added when the building was converted into apartments, there seems little change in this part.

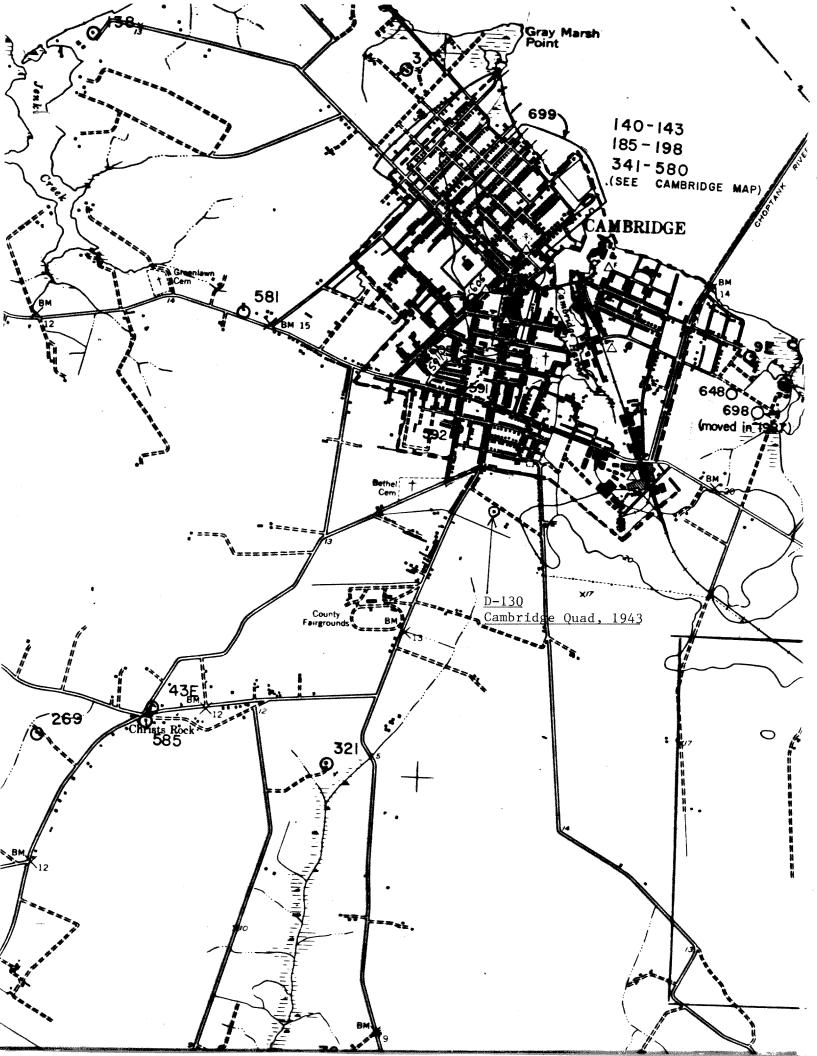
On the second floor, the original horizontal panels over the fireplaces with flanking closets are almost untouched. A partition was added to make the two rooms of the north chamber, but little more has been done.

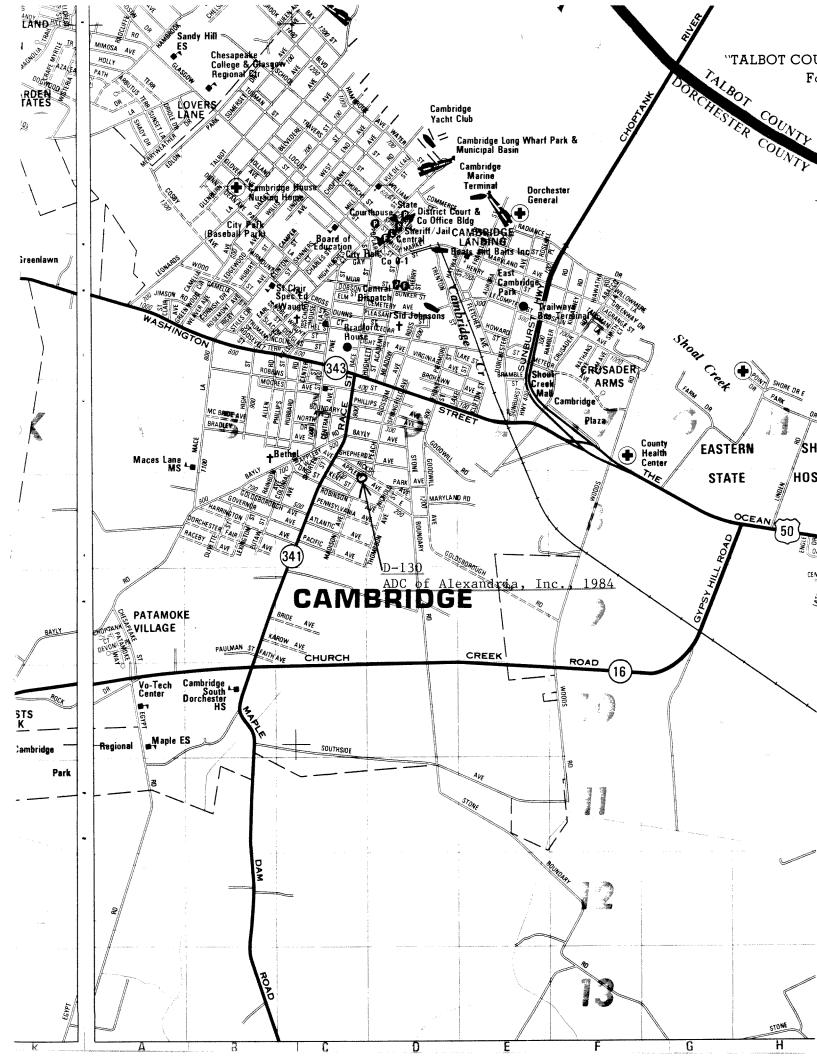
Access was not gained to the east portion of the house, as there apartments therein.

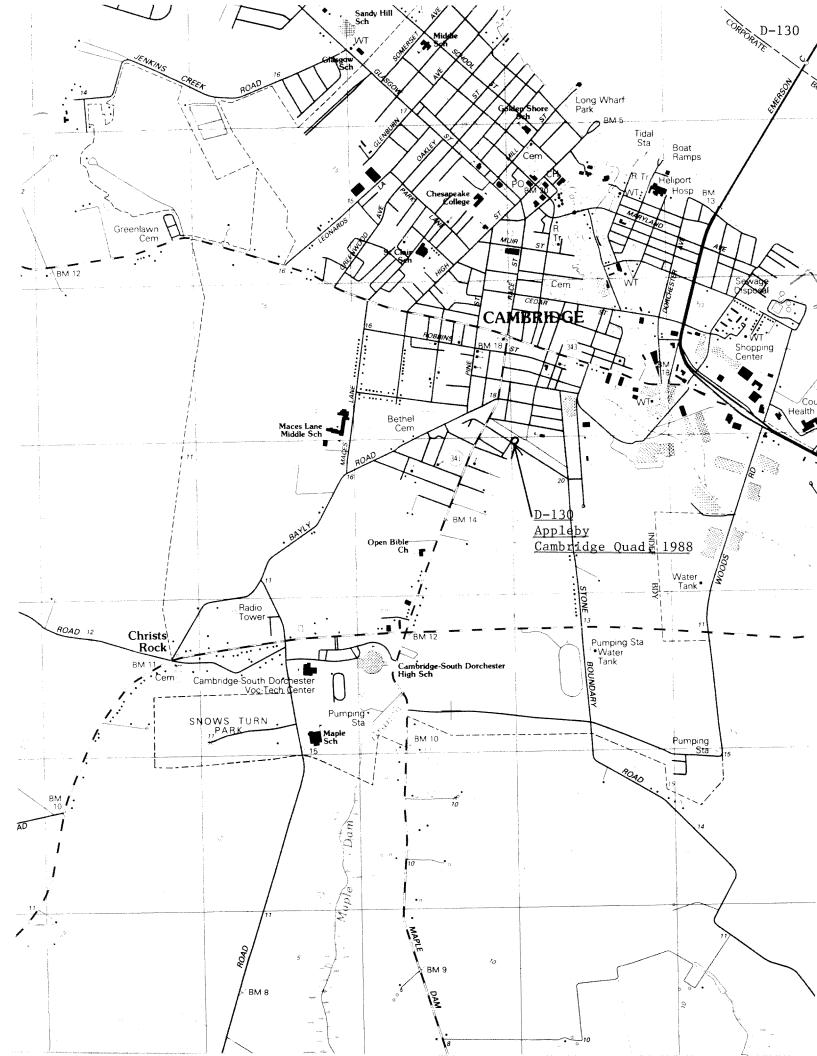
Appleby would be an excellent house to measure as it involves three substantially different styles of American Architecture. Also, because it would be relatively simple to take away the addition to reveal the houses in the preceding two phases, and it could shed light on the remodelings of major houses throughout Maryland.



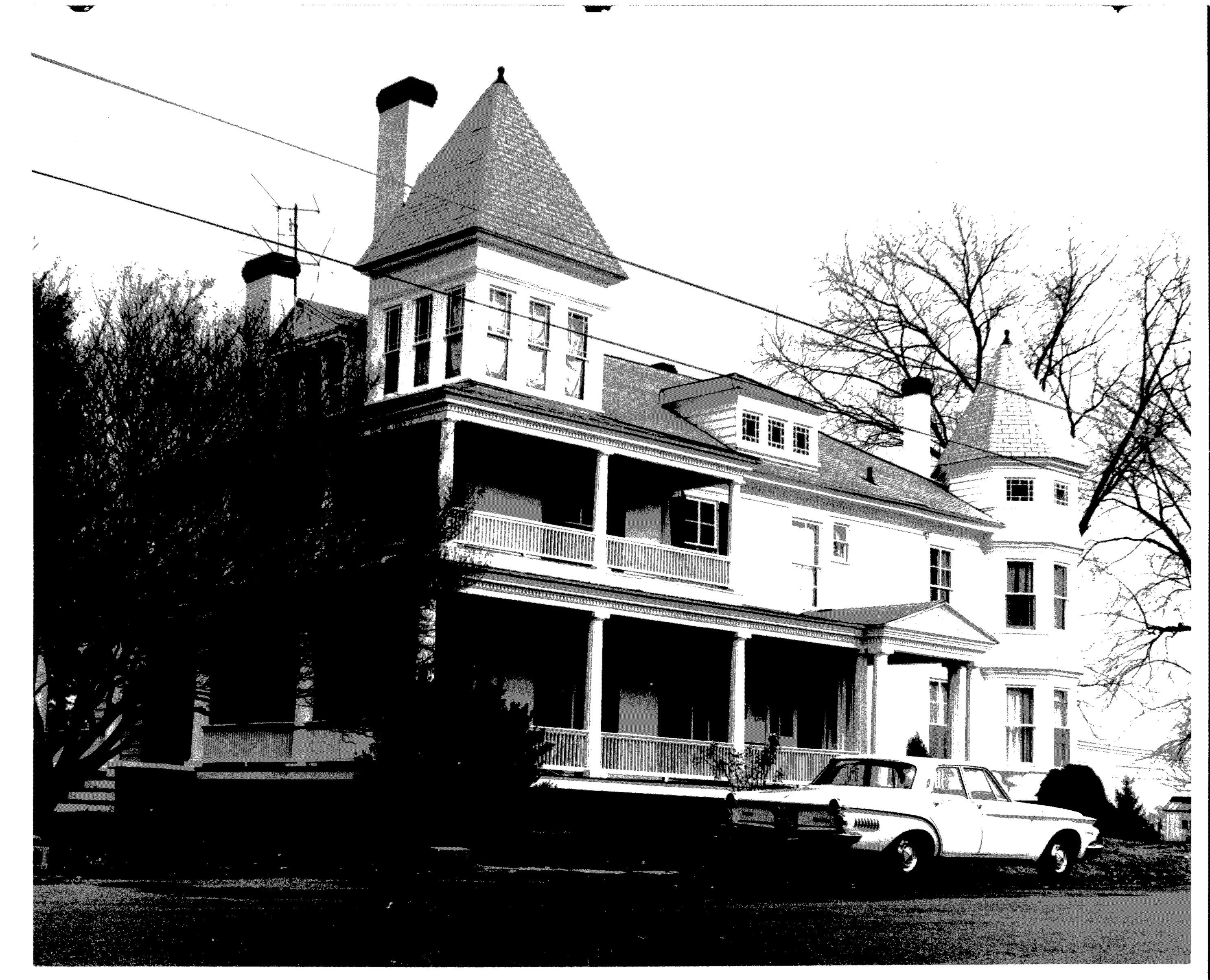












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